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MEMORANDUM FOR : Acting Chief, Development Projects Division

SUBJECT : [REDACTED] USAFR (MC), Flight Surgeon,

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1. On a recent visit to the West Coast in connection with the assessment of IDEALIST pilots, [REDACTED] encountered [REDACTED] who apparently unburdened himself to [REDACTED] regarding his utilization in his present assignment at [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] had simply tagged along with the IDEALIST pilots, apparently because he had nothing to do at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated that he had never accompanied the unit on an operation, had no medical records on the pilots, had no medical facilities, and as yet has not been briefed medically on what is expected of him in his job. He alleges that such information as he is able to obtain on what is transpiring with the unit is received "from the enlisted men".

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3. [REDACTED] has been with us since last September and has a two-year hitch to complete, and then in all probability he will return to private practice. I gather from [REDACTED] that he suspects that some of his trouble may be related to his obvious temporary status with the USAF. His morale, however, is said to be extremely low.

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4. It may well be that we have been so active at [REDACTED] that there has not been time to cut him in on his job. I do believe, however, that if this situation continues in the manner described to me, we should give serious thought to either removing him or leaving off the T/O the flight surgeon slot. We might be able to cover ourselves (1) on a detail basis from the base Flight Surgeon's office, where I understand there are six qualified flight medics, or (2) to use the [REDACTED] flight surgeon when the latter comes aboard with [REDACTED] approximately 1 April. In any

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event I believe we should clear this situation up before the [REDACTED]
flight surgeon reports in and compounds the difficulty. Suggest you may
wish to discuss this with [REDACTED]

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Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P

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